

Zhu

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No. 10/787,280

Paul Tinwell et al.

**NOBLE METAL TIP FOR SPARK PLUG
ELECTRODE AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME**

Filed: February 26, 2004

Group Art Unit: 2879

Examiner: Guharay

**TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
BEFORE MAILING OF FIRST OFFICE ACTION (37 C.F.R. 1.97(b))**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

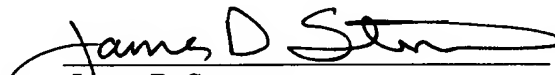
Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing with the above-identified application before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits is Form PTO-1449.

Applicants believe that no fee is due; however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0852.

Respectfully submitted,

REISING, ETHINGTON, BARNES, KISSELLE, P.C.


James D. Stevens
Registration No. 35,691
P.O. Box 4390
Troy, Michigan 48099
(248) 689-3500

Date: September 21, 2005

JDS/tak
Encl.



PTO/SB/08A (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1

of 1

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/787,280
Filing Date	02/26/2004
First Named Inventor	Tinwell et al.
Art Unit	2879
Examiner Name	Guharay
Attorney Docket Number	FMO P-3856-1

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
		US- 6,262,522	07/17/2001	Osamura et al.	
		US- 6,215,235	04/10/2001	Osamura	
		US- 6,147,441	11/14/2000	Osamura	
		US- 6,094,000	07/25/2000	Osamura et al.	
		US- 6,093,071	07/25/2000	Osamura et al.	
		US- 5,811,915	09/22/1998	Abe et al.	
		US- 5,347,193	9/13/1994	Oshima et al.	
		US- 5,320,569	06/14/1994	Oshima et al.	
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
		JP 02-061973				

Examiner
SignatureDate
Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND

TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.